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still prevails.

W. DOBERCK,  
Director of the Observatory.  
Peking Observatory, August 28, 1880.

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BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahr-  
ent and to the level of the sea in inches, tenths  
and hundredths.

TEMPERATURE, in the shade in degrees  
Fahrenheit.

HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation,  
the dryness of air saturated with moisture being

DIRECTION OF WIND, in two points.

FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort  
scale.

STATE OF WEATHER, a blue sky, a de-  
cided rain, a drizzling rain, fog, gloom;  
calm, a lightning, a overcast, a passing shower,  
a rain, a rain, a snow, a thunder, a visibility,  
&c. (two)

WIND, in English, French and German words.

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